

CLAIM AMENDMENTS

1.(Currently Amended) A method of manufacturing a filter element for use in connection with ~~e.g.~~ gas turbines, the filter element ~~and~~ comprising a hollow outer insert in which a hollow inner insert is arranged centrally relative to the outer insert, said inserts comprising end edges to which a top flange is secured at one end, said inserts being stiffened by a net, the method comprising ~~characterized in that the net (6)~~ ~~is made by~~ applying a liquid mass (5) to the outer and/or inner side of the filter element by means of one or more nozzles (4, 7), the liquid discharged from the one or more nozzles hardening to form the net, said nozzles (4, 7) being movable relative to the filter element (1).

2.(Currently Amended) A method of manufacturing a filter element according to claim 1, ~~further comprising applying the liquid~~ ~~characterized in that, during the application of~~ ~~moulding~~ mass (5) so as to form in one or more rings (8), one or more nozzles (4, 7) ~~being~~ ~~are~~ stationary in the longitudinal direction relative to ~~of~~ the filter element (1), while rotating the filter element (1) ~~rotates~~ a number of rotations about its a longitudinal axis ~~thereof, on which~~ ~~and oscillating~~ one or more nozzles (4, 7) ~~oscillate~~ with an oscillation greater than or equal to a ~~the~~ distance between two rings (8) and smaller than or equal to the length of the filter element (1), ~~thereby applying and forming for the application of~~ connecting lines (9) between the rings (8), the rings and connecting lines forming the net.

3.(Currently Amended) A method of manufacturing a filter element according to claim 1 or 2, characterized in that the rings (8) formed from the liquid of moulding mass (5) ~~are applied such that they~~ extend helically, ~~with~~ one or more rings (8) formed along the outer and/or inner surface of the filter element (1).

4.(Currently Amended) A method of manufacturing a filter element according to claim 1 or 2, ~~characterized in that~~ further comprising using one or more nozzles (4, 7) to apply ~~moulding the liquid~~ mass (5) in rings (8) along the outer and/or inner surface of the filter element (1), ~~said~~ rings being arranged in planes essentially parallel with ~~the~~ end faces (10, 11) of the filter element.

5.(Currently Amended) A method of manufacturing a filter element according to claims ~~1-4~~, characterized in that 1 or 2 further comprising using one or more nozzles (4) to first apply the liquid moulding mass (5) in rings (8), ~~following which rotating~~ the filter element (1), ~~during rotation about its a longitudinal axis thereof and moving the filter element~~, is moved to and fro in its a longitudinal direction with an oscillation greater than or equal to the a distance between two rings (8) and smaller than or equal to the a length of the filter element (1) ~~for the application of applying~~ connecting lines (9) between the rings (8).

6.(Cancelled).

7.(Currently Amended) A method according to claim 1 6, characterized in that the filter element (1) is made of combustible materials.